



Indiana Office of Energy Development

# Update

## OED Year In Review

Since 2009, The Indiana Office of Energy Development has awarded nearly \$100 million in grants to Hoosier businesses, nonprofits, government entities and homeowners for energy efficiency and alternative energy projects. All OED grant programs are federally funded through the U.S. Department of Energy. Many programs, such as the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program and Indiana Heating and Air Conditioning Incentive Program (IHIP) were completed in 2010. A number of additional programs were launched and funded in 2011.

### About OED

The Indiana Office of Energy Development (OED) was created in December 2005 as an extension of the Indiana energy office. Under the leadership of Lt. Governor Becky Skillman, OED is responsible for the state's energy policy.

### Working Groups

OED facilitates three active working groups in Indiana. The Indiana Wind Working Group has been part of Indiana's wind power industry since 2007. The Solar Energy Working Group has been building its

### 2011 Key Accomplishments

#### Community Conservation Challenge (CCC)

The Community Conservation Challenge (CCC) provided grants for community-wide energy efficiency, renewable energy and alternative fuel vehicle retrofit projects. Four projects were selected, Logan Community Resources in South Bend, The Affordable Housing Corporation of Marion, Monroe County and e-biofuels in Middleton will use nearly \$1 million for projects including lighting upgrades, weatherization, solar power and other efficiency measures.

#### Conserving Hoosier Industrial Power (CHIP)

The Conserving Hoosier Industrial Power (CHIP) grant program made funding available for large energy efficiency projects in Indiana's commercial/industrial sector. 17 Hoosier companies shared \$4.9 million. Among the companies receiving grants, Analytical Engineering in Columbus, Haas Cabinet in Sellersburg, Kennametal in New Albany and Valbruna Slater Stainless in Ft. Wayne. For a complete listing of grantees, visit the [OED Newsroom..](#)

#### Alternative Fuel Vehicles

Alternative Fuel Vehicle (AFV) use in Indiana took a large step forward through two grant programs administered by OED. OED and Greater Indiana Clean Cities administered a \$10.1 million competitive stimulus grant project awarded in 2010 that began putting Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and other alternative fuel vehicles on the roads in 2011. Among those participating in this program, The cities of Ft. Wayne and Indianapolis, and the Indiana Department of Transportation. An additional \$1.47 million was awarded in 2011 to 4 CNG conversion projects through a USDOE State Energy Program/ARRA grant.

#### Community Energy Plan

Eighteen of Indiana's smaller communities were chosen to take part in the Community Energy

membership throughout 2011. The Biomass Working Group, based at Purdue University has continued to grow and saw significant support in 2011. All of these groups serve to support these renewable technologies through information sharing and networking.

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### **Internet Outreach**

The Office of Energy Development utilizes the outreach opportunities of the Internet to inform Hoosiers of the programs and projects available through OED. From our online grant application system, to our Web site, blogs and twitter feeds, OED keeps Indiana up to date. [Energy.IN.gov](http://Energy.IN.gov).

Program, (CEP). CEP provides an overall assesment of a community's energy use in public spaces. . After the audit and public input sessions, a strategic energy plan is developed . CEP was funded through the federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program (EECBG), with communities under 35,000 in population and counties under 200,000 in population being eligible. For a list of all 18 communities, visit our Web site, <http://www.energy.IN.gov>, and click on Newsroom.

### **WIndiana/Indiana Renewable Energy Conference**

In its fourth successful year, Indiana's only statewide wind power conference expanded to include other renewable technologies to become WIndiana/Indiana Renewable Energy Conference. Across two days in July, attendees heard about the latest innovations in wind, solar, biomass and alternative fuel vehicle technology.

### **Energy Action In Schools**

The Energy Action In Schools program provided funding for energy efficiency and conservation curriculum based on active participation of students in the energy "health" of their school buildings. Energy Action Patrols made up of students, staff and administrators would scour their buildings for energy savings and pass this information on to school administrators for action. Some 36 Indiana schools took part in the program in 2011. Funded by an OED grant and utility partners, this program was administered by the National Energy Foundation (NEF).